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CITY COUNCIL CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU ERNEST Y. MARTIN, CHAIR & PRESIDING OFFICER IKAIKA ANDERSON, VICE CHAIR ROMY M. CACHOLA, FLOOR LEADER COUNCILMEMBER TOM BERG COUNCILMEMBER STANLEY CHANG COUNCILMEMBER TULSI GABBARD COUNCILMEMBER NESTOR R. GARCIA COUNCILMEMBER BREENE HARIMOTO COUNCILMEMBER ANN H. KOBAYASHI

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DATE: Wednesday, April 25, 2012 TIME: 10:00am Kapolei Hale, Conference Rooms A, B and C

RE: Bill 10 (2012), CD1, Proposed FD1 Relating to the Use of Bags Provided to Customers.

Dear Chair Martin, Vice Chair Anderson and Councilmembers:

ABC Stores is a local retail chain with 40+ stores located on Oahu, and on the neighbor islands.

ABC Stores would like to reiterate that we support the State Legislature's bill requiring businesses in the State to collect a fee for single-use checkout bags provided to a customer.

However, in consideration of Councilmember Garcia's proposed bill assessing fees on the County-level, there seems to be legalities that need to be addressed before we can support this version of the bill.

Therefore, we support Chair Martin's bill, Proposed Bill 10, CD2, FD1, Version B, with the effective date of July 1, 2015.

Thank you for your consideration.

PAUL KOSASA President & CEO

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